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**CITY OF SAINT FRANCIS HEALTH DEPARTMENT PASSES
REVIEW BY STATE HEALTH OFFICIALS**

(MADISON, October 14, 2005)—Deputy Administrator Herb Bostrom announced that the Saint Francis Health Department has successfully passed the state's health department review.

"The Saint Francis Health Department is working to make their community a healthier and safer place to live," said Bostrom. "Their department has actively engaged and supportive Board of Health, and does an excellent job of providing programs for students and young adults to control tobacco exposure and use."

State and regional level officials from the Division of Public Health conducted an on-site review, and as a result, the Saint Francis Health Department will maintain its Level I status.

The Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services is required to formally review the operations of all 94 Wisconsin local health departments at the county or municipality level at least every five years. The review establishes the health department as a level I, II or III agency. A level I agency meets the minimum requirements and a level III agency meets the maximum requirements established for a local health department.

The Saint Francis Health Department provides services important to the community, such as:

- Promoting Physical and Nutritional Programs
- Conducting Home Safety Inspections
- Developing Programs and Reporting of Preschool Immunization

For information about the Saint Francis Health Department, visit:

<http://www.cityofstfrancis.com/>

For contact information for Wisconsin's local health departments, visit:

<http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/localhealth/index.htm>

For information about the state health plan, *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010*, visit:

<http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/statehealthplan/>

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